IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE ail Stop Patent Application Atty. Dkt.: 1579-880 or prissioner for Patents Date: January 9, 2004 EO-Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Attached for filing is the patent application of: Inventor: HAYNES et al. **HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS VACCINE** Entitled: and including attachments as noted below: Newly executed Declaration, ⋈ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ⋈ Abstract Please **delete** the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application: **Deleted** persons: pages of specification and claims (including 8 numbered claims), and sheets of accompanying drawing/s. Record the attached assignment to and return to the undersigned. Attached is a Power of Attorney. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications: **Application Number** Country Day/Month/Year Filed , respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application... Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached. Certified copy(ies) filed on in prior appln. no. This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. , the entire content of which is filed hereby incorporated by reference in this application. This application is a __ continuation/_ division/_ continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/775,805, filed February 5, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/497,497, filed February 4, 2000, now abandoned, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference in this application. Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency. The prior application is assigned to DUKE UNIVERSITY, Durham, North Carolina and BETH ISRAEL DEACONESS MEDICAL CENTER, Boston, Massachusetts. It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached. Applicant claims "small entity" status. "Small entity" statement attached. Please enter the attached preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee: Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement; Non-Publication Request; Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; Other: FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HEREWITH CANCELED Basic Filing Fee 770.00 Total effective claims x \$ 18.00 - 20 (at least 20) = 0.0 Independent claims - 3 (at least 3) = 0 x \$ 86.00 0.0 If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$290.00 (ignore improper) 0.00 **SUBTOTAL** 770.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract 0.00)**SECOND SUBTOTAL** 770.00

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